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Todd,

We have lived in Farrington's Grove Historic District over 25 years. We have seen it grow and change for the better because of the investment of time and resources by people wanting to make it their home. As you know, it is so much more than frat houses, empty lots and condemned properties. It deserves the time, attention, and effort to prevent just that.

We are opposed to Special Ordinance 36 for the rezoning of property at 830 S. 6th Street.

"Either you support the rehab facility in a residential, historic neighborhood, or you are against helping people who need help with addiction."

Unfortunately, this false dilemma approach underlies a lot of the division and demonizing so prominent in public discourse today. One can absolutely acknowledge and support the need for and mission of recovery facilities and still rightly not support their placement in a historic, downtown, residential neighborhood.

The support of recovery is not the issue before the Council.

The improvements to downtown have been astounding. This hope and concerted effort should extend to the surrounding neighborhood of Farrington's Grove. The neighborhood should not be subject to ad hoc rezoning decisions further eroding its residential and historic character. There should be a master plan for this neighborhood developed in conjunction with the efforts to improve our downtown. Where will people visit, view and reside when drawn to all the amenities added to our downtown? Will they be able to take a walk, a run, or a drive from their hotel room to enjoy the surrounding area? Imagine if New Orleans decided the Garden District needed manufacturing and other non-residential use. There are, of course, innumerable other examples.

Farrington's Grove deserves the same consideration, protection and preservation as Terre Haute's other historic gems. Would a favorable vote be used to later justify and approve additional commercial or manufacturing use? So much good has been achieved by families and individuals to revitalize this historic treasure. There is more work to be

done for sure, but the time, talent and treasure spent to date should be encouraged, not ignored and discouraged.

While we absolutely support recovery and recognize the need for more resources and facilities, we are proud to call Farrington's Grove our home and applaud your vote against the re-zoning.

John and Tammy Roach  
Farrington's Grove Residents